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Monday Cloudy.

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THOMPSON SAYS HE SHOT FARMER IN SELF-DEFENSE

Arrested for Murder of Aged
Joseph M. Pope With
Shotgun.

SON OF VICTIM MADE
HIM FEAR FOR LIFE

Quarrel of Neighbors Follows a
Session of Hard Cider
Drinking.

Arrested early today by Sheriff Vielt on a charge of killing Joseph M. Pope, seventy years old, a wealthy farmer of Laytonville, Montgomery county, Md., Archie R. Thompson, twenty-two years old, frankly admitted the charge, the officers say, but said he did the shooting in self-defense.

The shooting occurred shortly after 6 o'clock last evening near the Thompson home, which adjoins the Pope place near Laytonville. Mr. Pope was killed with a shotgun, and more than sixty shot were found in his head and face.

According to Thompson, John Pope, the aged farmer's son, was pointing a shotgun at him at the time. Fearing for his own life, he told the officers, he picked up a gun and fired at young Pope. The shot went wild, striking the older man.

Pope Held as Witness.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon Justice Edward Brown began an inquest at Laytonville over the body of the victim.

John Pope also was taken in custody this morning by Sheriff Vielt and held in the Rockville jail as a State's witness.

Behind the tragedy lies a story that is identical with many another rural tragedy. For some time yesterday afternoon the two Papes and Thompson were together drinking hard cider—"apple jack," as it is called in the country.

A quarrel ensued, and in the heat of passion the shot was fired. Both the younger man and Thompson, as they sat in a cell in the county jail this morning, admitted to Sheriff Vielt that they had quarreled, that a fight had ensued, and that both picked up a gun. But what the trouble was about both disclaimed any knowledge.

"Too Much Apple Jack."

"It was simply a case of too much 'apple jack,'" Thompson is quoted as saying.

Pope told the sheriff he did pick up a shotgun and pointed it at Thompson, but he did not do so until after Thompson had killed his father. Thompson, on the other hand, says Pope had the gun leveled at him when he shot the elder Pope, believing he was firing at the younger man.

According to the story told by young Pope, he and his father started out early yesterday afternoon to go squirrel hunting. Both carried a shotgun. They walked up the hill back of their home about a mile and a half and failed to see any squirrels. About 4 o'clock they started home.

On the way back they met Phels Nelson, a colored man, who lives about half a mile from the Pope home. Nelson invited them to come in and have some cider. They accepted the invitation, and a short time afterward Thompson came to the colored man's house. All three sat around drinking cider for some time, although Thompson, according to the witnesses, drank more than the others.

Revised Old Quarrel.

It was nearly 6 o'clock when Thompson and the two Papes started home. On the way Thompson and John Pope got into an argument. There had been trouble between the two men before, but last April they came to an understanding regarding their disagreements. Since then they had been on good terms.

Neither young man seems to know today what started the trouble yesterday afternoon. Pope claims that Thompson hit him first.

The two fell and struggled on the ground for several minutes. Finally they got up and proceeded to the Thompson home. In an alley alongside the house both the Papes put down their shotguns.

Thompson and John Pope started fighting again. Then Thompson went in the house and got a shotgun. A moment later Joseph M. Pope was lying on the ground with his head nearly blown from his shoulders by the charge. Dr. V. H. Dryson, of Laytonville, was (Continued on Eighth Page.)

Rodgers Ready to Fly for \$50,000 Prize.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Sept. 17.—Thousands of spectators crowded Sheephead Bay track this afternoon to watch Calbraith P. Rodgers make his start for the Pacific for the Hearst \$50,000 prize. Rodgers was on hand early and declared that his machine was in perfect working order. He hopes to be able to reach San Francisco before nightfall as he will be able to remain in the air four hours at a time. A special train will follow him over the Erie railroad.

Rodgers' flight is not the only one planned. At the aviation meet at Brighton Beach race track, flights will be made today by several aviators including Claude Grahame-White, Dr. Henry Walder, and Thomas Sopwith.

HONOR IS DECLINED BY DARR; TO STAY IN TRANSFER FIGHT

Attorney Prefers Battle for
People to Being Delegate
to Municipal Convention.

Because he considers that the interests of the people of the District of Columbia are more vitally affected by the universal transfer litigation before the Supreme Court than in the municipal convention which meets in Chicago tomorrow, and because he does not agree with the District Commissioners that the quickest way to get universal transfers and other reforms is by urging the passage of the Commissioners' public utility bill, Charles W. Darr, one of the attorneys for the Chamber of Commerce, in the suit against the Capital Traction Company, has declined the Commissioners' appointment as a delegate to the convention.

He will not go to Chicago, as he had planned, preferring to remain in Washington and prosecute the people's fight for universal transfers now before the Supreme Court.

Lawyers to Confer.

Mr. Darr reached this decision after a conference yesterday afternoon with Harry F. Lerch, counsel for the receiver of the suburban line, at which Mr. Lerch assured him that a conference of all the attorneys in the case would be held tomorrow or Tuesday with a view to obtaining a hearing in the transfer suit immediately.

Although the District Commissioners are watching the transfer litigation between the Baltimore and Washington Transit Company in the District Supreme Court, they will take no hand in it officially. This, at least, is the position of Cuno H. Rudolph, president of the Board.

The Commissioners are preparing to urge upon Congress the passage of the public utility bill to vest in themselves the powers of a public service commission, as the quickest way in which to get universal transfers and other reforms for all of the people of the District.

Sees Long Litigation.

"It looks as though this litigation would be dragged from one court to another," said Mr. Rudolph today, "and you and I may be dead before it finally is settled. We are going to press the public utility bill as soon as Congress convenes, and I think this is the best and quickest method to effect the reforms which now are being sought through the courts."

While Mr. Darr favors a public utility law, he considers that there is little chance for the passage of the bill to make the Commissioners the public utility commission at the next session of Congress. The best hope for getting universal transfers and other needed reforms at an early date, (Continued on Eighth Page.)

GERMAN OFFICIAL SEES EARLY PEACE

Government Agent Says Nation's
Aim Is Open Door in
Morocco.

BERLIN, Sept. 17.—The interview from a high German official cable to New York, in which peace over the Morocco question is practically assured, was corroborated here today. The gist of the statement shows that Germany is trying to meet the French demand. Said one official:

"Germany is seeking no special prerogatives in Morocco. Our proposals to France aim solely to insure the people of the open door, thus guaranteeing absolutely to all nations equal chances. I can state that France, in her answer Friday, is not blind to our intentions. With good feeling on each side it is safe to say an ultimate agreement will be effected. There are at present differences of view on minor points which may prolong negotiations, but we are confident of a peaceful outcome."

NEW VIGOR PUT INTO CRUSADE TO PENSION CLERKS

Committee of One Hundred
Takes Up Work After
Summer Vacation.

GENERAL DICK SENDS
OUT LETTER APPEAL

Wants Every State in the Union
To Have Representative
on Committee.

With renewed vigor the Committee of 100, appointed several months ago to launch a movement for better conditions and higher salaries for employees of the Federal Government, today took up the work which has been lagging during the summer months.

Pointing out the need for such an organization, and showing that unless a systematic effort to impress upon Congress the urgent necessity for immediate assistance to the 250,000 Government clerks, the committee, through its managing director, former Senator Charles Dick of Ohio, has written letters to the representative men of the larger cities of the country, and in all the States, asking for support.

For Benefit of All Clerks.

"As the movement started by the committee of 100 is for the benefit of all clerks in the Government classified service, whether employed in Washington or elsewhere, an effort is being made to have in the membership of the committee a representative of every State of the Union," General Dick says in his letter. "With the completion of this preliminary work and the convening of Congress in December it is intended to wage an aggressive campaign in behalf of the Government clerks."

"As is generally known, within recent years the pay of the army, the navy, the President, Cabinet members, Senators, Representatives—in fact for all employees of the Government—has been increased. For these, the schedule of salaries has not been changed for more than fifty years. It is confidently expected, however, that upon proper presentation, Congress will remedy this injustice by enacting the necessary legislation."

MacVeagh to Support Movement to Pension Government Employees

Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh will make a strong recommendation in his annual report this year in favor of the adoption of a pension and retirement system for clerks in the Government service.

While Secretary MacVeagh is not in Washington, at the Treasury it is said he will not fail this year, to recommend that Congress act in this important matter. The whole force of the administration is back of the movement to get Congress to legislate in behalf of the clerks who have devoted their lives to the Government service. Secretary MacVeagh is favorable to such legislation, and much that has happened about the Treasury in his administration has been in line with this.

For instance, it has become necessary now to reduce the force of employees in the various mints. This has been accomplished by the fact that the Government is issuing gold certificates against gold bullion, and for that reason will coin less gold hereafter. All that will be coined, or nearly all, will be the subsidiary and minor coin.

Many employees of the mints have spent their lives in the Government service. It is a hard thing to turn them off, yet it is essential to cut down the force at Denver, San Francisco, Philadelphia, and the Treasury will be as easy as possible on the old employees, and will let go chiefly the newer ones. However, the problem would be much simplified if there were a retirement and pension system in force.

The recent reduction of the force in the office of the Supervising Architect also has worked hardship. While it has affected chiefly employees not long in service it has affected some of long tenure. The suddenness with which this order came has been an excellent illustration of the uncertainties of Government service, and points with force to the need of a pension system.

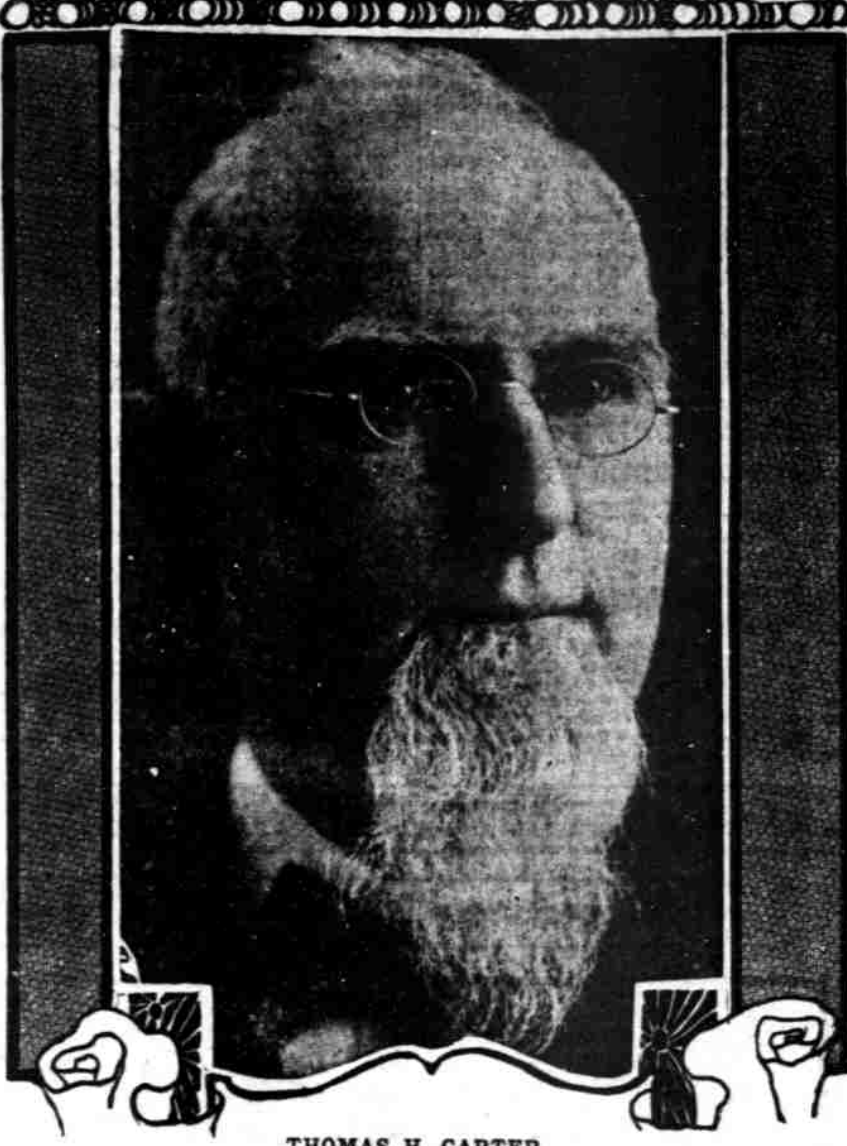
The Treasury Department has been one of the foremost in doing what could be done to economize. It has clearly demonstrated to the Treasury officials that with some sort of pension and retirement system economic and business-like methods would be more easy of achievement.

Three Entombed Miners Nourished by Tube

LEADVILLE, Col., Sept. 17.—One hundred volunteers have been digging twenty-four hours in an effort to liberate three men who were entombed alive Saturday in the Carbonate Hill mine of the Star Consolidated Mining Company. It is believed the gallery where the men are held prisoners by a cave-in will be reached this afternoon.

The imprisoned men are Frederick Cackel, Andrew Frels, and Matthew Jacobson, leasees of the mine. They are buried beneath hundreds of tons of rock, broken timbers, and twisted pipes. A three-inch pipe was driven through the debris last evening, and communication was established with the men. Food and water is being passed through the tube.

FORMER SENATOR CARTER DIES SUDDENLY AT HIS SIXTEENTH STREET HOME



THOMAS H. CARTER,
Montana Statesman Who Died This Morning.

MRS. SUSAN SCHELL, WHO WAS IN RUSH OF "49," DIES HERE

Crossed Western Plains
With Gold Seekers—Long
a Resident of Capital.

Mrs. Susan A. Schell, eighty-three years old, a resident of the District for over forty years, and one of the hardy women who crossed the Western plains in an oxwagon in "49," during the gold rush to California, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Compere, 25 New Jersey avenue northwest, early this morning. Death came as the result of the infirmities of old age, although the last illness lasted but a few weeks.

Born in Louisville, Ky., in 1828, she lived there during her girlhood. She was married to Francis M. Schell, of Maryland, and with her husband was one of the first to go to California when the "gold fever" became rampant. The caravan of which their wagon was part, often was attacked by hostile Indians. The party had many thrilling escapes. Her eldest daughter, Mrs. Compere, then five years old, was a member of the party, and still retains vivid recollections of some of the adventures.

Mr. Schell had been across the plains once before, being the first passenger ever taken to California by the famed "overland" coach. Mr. Schell, who was a veteran of the Mexican war, died nine years ago last January.

Long in Washington.

Coming to Washington from California in 1871, Mr. Schell for fifteen years was employed as a clerk in the War Department. Mr. and Mrs. Schell celebrated their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary shortly before his death.

Mrs. Schell was the mother of nine children, seven of whom are living. They are Mrs. C. M. Compere, of Washington; E. P. Schell, an employee of the mint in Denver; Mrs. L. A. Hauk, of St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Max Leuben, of New York city; F. M. Schell, of Chicago; Mrs. J. S. Kennedy, of Quebec, Canada; and A. T. Schell, in the law department of the Immigration Bureau of Ellis Island.

Funeral services will be held at the chapel of Lee's undertaking establishment, 322 Pennsylvania avenue, on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. Donald C. McCloud, of the First Presbyterian Church, will officiate at the ceremonies. The body will be cremated, and the ashes placed beside those of her husband in the family plot in the Congressional Cemetery.

Anderson Is Expected To Stay at Brussels

Reports emanating from Berlin and cabled to this country are to the effect that Lars Anderson is to receive the German ambassadorship. In diplomatic circles in Washington this report is not taken seriously in view of the fact that Mr. Anderson has been named for Brussels, and is delighted with his post. Those in position to know, say that there has not even been the slightest intimation that Mr. Anderson is being considered as ambassador to Germany.

School Books, New and ad. Hand. Lowdermilk & Co., 1428 P.—Adv.

MARINE MARKSMEN AWARDED MEDALS FOR TARGET SKILL

Major General Biddle Gives
Elliott Trophy and Thirty-
six Prizes to Winners.

Standing beneath a tree in front of the officers' quarters at the Marine Barracks this morning, Maj. Gen. W. P. Biddle, commandant of the United States Marine Corps, awarded the Elliott Trophy and thirty-six medals to the officers and enlisted men who distinguished themselves in the rifle matches recently held at Winthrop, Md. The Elliott Trophy went to the team representing the Annapolis, Md., barracks, and will remain in its possession until next year. The name of the winning teams will be engraved upon it.

By reason of their remarkable work on the range, two enlisted men have been promoted, their promotions preceding those on the waiting list as eligible for promotion.

Corp. Calvin A. Lloyd was promoted to the rank of sergeant. Lloyd won the Presidential match at Camp Perry. Private Walter M. Randle was promoted to the rank of corporal. These promotions were not known until today.

The presentation of the medals this morning, which was witnessed by hundreds of Washington citizens, as well as scores of officers, was preceded by a review of the Marine Band and a battalion of the Marine Corps.

At 10 o'clock the winners of the trophies and medals fell in on the parade grounds, and with little formality the medals were presented. As the name of each man was called he advanced to General Biddle and saluted, received his award, and returned to rank.

The ceremonies were over in less than an hour. The winners have turned in their medals, in order that they may be suitably engraved.

Several of the best marksmen received two and three medals this morning. Gold medals went to Private Walter M. Randle, Corporal Calvin Lloyd, First Sergeant Joseph Jackson, and Corporal Thomas Worsham. Silver medals were won by Sergeant Archie Lewellen, Corporal Fred Hammond, Private John F. Zajicek, Corporal Ray S. Truister, Gunnery Sergeant Charles A. Johnson, Sergeant Clarence H. Hartley, Corporal Edward F. Rhoades, Sergeant Claude H. Clyde, and three commissioned officers. Second Lieut. Bernard L. Smith, First Lieut. Ralph S. Keyser, and First Lieut. Andrew B. Drum.

In the divisional competition, Randle won another gold medal. The other gold medal in this test went to Corp. August B. Hale. Silver medals were presented to First Sergeant Victor H. Czegka, Sergeant William A. Fragner, Corporal Ray F. Truister, First Sergeant Thomas F. Joyce, Gunnery Sergeant Frederick Wahlgren, and Sergeant James F. Womack.

Bronze medals were awarded First Sergeant Joseph Jackson, Sergeant Peter Conachy, Sergeant Archie Lewellen, Private Ralph N. Henshaw, Corporal Fred Hammond, Corporal Harlan Major, Sergeant Clarence H. Hartley, Private John F. Zajicek, Gunnery Sergeant Charles A. Johnson, Corporal Calvin A. Lloyd, Sergeant Claude H. Clyde, Corporal Edward S. Connors, Sergeant John E. Peterson, Private Edward W. Spurrier, Private Bert E. Pope, Corporal Gorth C. Clarkson, and First Lieut. Andrew B. Drum.

LUNG TROUBLE IS CAUSE OF HIS DEATH

Close Friend of President
Taft—On Boundary
Commission.

MANAGER OF LAST
HARRISON CAMPAIGN

Was Fifty-seven Years Old, and
Twice Represented Montana
in Senate.

Thomas Henry Carter, Senator from Montana until March 4 last, died shortly after last midnight at his home, 1628 Sixteenth street northwest.

Former Senator Carter's illness was known only to his family and a very few intimates. It had lasted only a week, but had been alarming from the very first.

Infarction of the lungs was the cause of death. The attending physician, Dr. George P. Parker, said that while he had been very ill, his recovery was hoped for until within a short time before he died. Infarction is the stuffing, or filling of the lungs, with clotted blood, and is a difficult disorder to deal with. Death came when a clot passed from the heart to the brain.

For months past, Senator Carter had been under constant care of his physician. Last Wednesday an eminent specialist from Johns Hopkins Hospital came here for a consultation, and at that time it was confidently expected he would recover.

Mrs. Carter Prostrated.

At his home, it was stated today that arrangements for the funeral had not yet been perfected, except that the ceremony will take place from St. Paul's Catholic Church. The time has not been fixed.

Interment will take place at the family home in Helena, Mont., or in Washington.

Members of the family were overcome by the sudden death of Senator Carter, and owing to the prostration of Mrs. Carter it had not been intended to allow the fact of the death to become public today. After it became known the utmost reticence was manifested when inquiries were made as to the cause of death.

S Senator Carter is survived by his widow, Ellen Galen Carter, and two sons, John G. and Hugh Thompson Carter, both students in the Art School of Georgetown University. The mother and both sons were at the bedside when Senator Carter died.

Although the illness was of such severity as to give great concern from the very beginning, Senator Carter improved somewhat after three days, and as recently as Thursday last it was believed he would recover. Then a turn for the worse took place, and from that time his condition has been desperate. Death came suddenly.

S Senator Carter had a remarkable career. Born in Ohio, October 30, 1854, he went to Montana, and was elected to Congress in 1896, and was elected to the Senate in 1904.

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W.C.T.U. HEAD PLANS DEFT TO GOVERNOR

Mrs. Lillian N. Stevens to Chal-
lenge Maine Executive to De-
bate If "Dry" Lose.

AUGUSTA, Me., Sept. 17.—Mrs. Lillian N. Stevens, president of the National W. C. T. U., says if the "dry" are counted out she will march to the State house at the head of an army of 20,000 men and women and challenge Governor Eliot to debate the issue.

Both "wets" and "drys" still claim the victory in the election of last Monday.

It is possible that it may not be decided which side won the great battle at the polls until the Legislature takes up the matter, and it is understood that Governor Eliot will call a special session if necessary.

When the governor and council hold their meeting on Monday, the official returns will be opened and canvassed, but the result of this will not be accepted as final, since many clerks of towns and cities have reported errors in tabulation and making returns.

SUYDAM'S WIFE SAYS SHE PLANS TO MARRY NOBLE

Tells Her Side of Elopement
Story for First Time.
Admits Love.

HOPES TO FORCE
HUSBAND TO ACT

Declares She Talked the Situation
Over With Him Before
She Left.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—Mrs. Walter Suydam, the eloping wife of the young Blue Point, Long Island, millionaire, today threw new light on the strange case of infatuation in which she is the central figure.

Mrs. Suydam talked freely to a Munsey News representative in her small apartment at 84 West Twelfth street, this morning. She appeared to be nervous and showed the effects of the publicity to which she had been subjected.

"I intend to marry Fred Noble as soon as I can do so legally," she said. "I regard it as most unfortunate that so much publicity has been given to our affairs. I went away with Mr. Noble with the full knowledge of my husband, his father, and Mr. Noble's family.

"Evidently if I did not love Mr. Noble, I would not have submitted myself to an ordeal such as the one I am now enduring."

Appears Nervous.

During this conversation Mrs. Suydam kept fingering a number of newspaper clippings bearing on her case, all the while walking back and forth in a state of great nervousness.

When asked point blank whether her husband had filed a suit for divorce she declared that she did not wish to speak on this subject for publication, but she reiterated her avowal that she intended to marry Noble as soon as possible.

"So far as my leaving his apartment is concerned," she continued, "I have no intention of doing so. Although Mr. Noble leased the apartment, I have subleased it from him and I shall certainly remain here for a year. Long before the end of that time I hope to be Mrs. Fred Noble."

The manager of the apartment house admitted today that he had requested the young woman and her affinity to move, but declined to say whether he would take any steps to dispossess them.

Mrs. Suydam went over the story of her life, game of laborers, who has constituted himself a personal escort whenever she appears on the street.

Points Her Out.

This man points her out as she walks along, and so far she has found no way of escaping him. Only yesterday two men followed her into a store and, after watching her purchase a paper of pins, marched back with her to her own front door.

Her millionaire husband had nothing to add today to the statement already given out by him and his father. He realizes that even if he were willing to take his wife back, she would not come. It is said that it would not surprise her friends if he filed a suit of divorce any day now. His wife has admitted that she never gave her any grounds for a separation, and that she practically took matters into her own hands in order to force him to act.

Although she was reported to have taken \$20,000 in cash of her own money when she left Blue Point, she denied this today, and also characterized as false the interview credited to the sister of Noble, in which the latter gave a stirring story of her efforts to persuade her brother to return home.

Two Men Are Shot From Ambush in Feud

TOLEDO, Ohio, Sept. 17.—The head of upper Twin creek, the scene of many murders and bloody feuds, was stirred by another tragedy early today, when John Blevins and his stepson, Irwin Keaton, were fired upon from ambush. Blevins was shot in the foot, and his stepson was shot through the right shoulder, receiving an ugly and dangerous wound. Blevins was able to carry the other injured man home.

The neighborhood was aroused and attempts are now being made to solve the mystery of the shooting. The men say they have no known enemies in the neighborhood. Keaton's injury is thought to be sufficient to cause death.

Sheriff Eckert stated that while no arrests have been made, suspicion points to a young man who cannot be found. This man figures in a recent murder across the Adams county line, and the men shot from ambush took an active hand in running down the guilty person.